

APPROVED MINUTES Idaho Soil Conservation Commission 2270 Old Penitentiary Road Boise, Idaho

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Governor Dirk Kempthorne

Commission members
Jerry Reid
Bill Whittom
J. Morgan Evans
Gary Grindstaff
Tom Johnston

Administrator Jerry Nicolescu The Idaho Soil Conservation Commission held a teleconference call on December 21, 2004 at the Idaho State Department of Agriculture, 2270 Old Penitentiary Road, Boise, Idaho.

Vice-Chairman Evans called the teleconference to order at 10:09 A.M. Verbal attendance was as follows:

Members: J. Morgan Evans – Vice-Chair

Gary Grindstaff – Secretary Tom Johnston – Member

Members Not Present: Bill Whittom – Chairman

Jerry Reid – Member

Others: Jerry Nicolescu, Administrator, ISCC

Brenda Thomasson, Management Assistant,

ISCC

Thomasson explained that Whittom would be unable to attend because he is out of town for the Christmas holiday. Reid was also unavailable for the call. Nicolescu briefly explained that the Commission is preparing for the supplement requests before JFAC. There are seven new members on JFAC who need to be brought up to speed on the process.

Johnston moved to enter executive session to discuss personnel and legal issues pursuant to I.C. 67-2345– Grindstaff seconded. Roll call vote –Grindstaff – Aye, Johnston - Aye Motion carried. Entered executive session at 10:13 a.m.

Evans declared the Commission out of Executive Session at 10:45. Grindstaff moved to reject the Alternative Resolution proposed by the NezPerce District. Johnston seconded. Motion carried. Nicolescu will contact Whittom and Reid and let them know of the decision made by the other members. The members felt that an agreement had been reached during the Moscow meeting and that the District was now trying to dishonor that agreement. It was felt that the solutions offered in the

alternative resolution would have been considered at any time prior to the informal hearing in Moscow; however, it was too late to consider these options now that the informal hearing has been held. The Commission was agreeable to almost any changes in the stipulations if the opportunity had been presented. Evans asked if the members resigned within the next two weeks, there is no need for a formal hearing; however, that does not prevent the Commission from conducting an audit. Grindstaff moved to follow Idaho Code 22-27 on requiring a formal financial audit from the NezPerce District. Johnston seconded. Motion carried. Nicolescu will report to the NezPerce district that the resolution has been rejected and that the Commission will request a formal hearing. The Commission's attorney had previously reported that all six allegations could rise to the level of removal from office for some of the NezPerce board members, if a formal hearing is conducted.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:57 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Brenda Thomasson, Management Assistant